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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Tatsuya JIMMEI et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2619
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Application No.: 10/615,925	)	Examiner: NGUYEN, Steven H. D.
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Filed: July 10, 2003	)	
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For: NETWORK NODE APPARATUS	)	Confirmation No.: 9915
AND CONNECTION SET-UP	)	
METHOD FOR SETTING UP	)	
CUT-THROUGH CONNECTION	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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Assignee, Kabushiki Kaishi Toshiba, duly organized under the laws of Japan, and having its principal place of business at 72 Horikawa-cho, Saiwai-ku, Kawasaki-shi, Japan, represents that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application, Application No. 10/615,925, filed July 10, 2003, for NETWORK NODE APPARATUS AND CONNECTION SET-UP METHOD FOR SETTING UP CUT-THROUGH CONNECTION in the names of Tatsuya JIMMEI and Shigeo MATSUZAWA as indicated by an assignment duly recorded in its parent application (now U.S. Patent No. 6,614,795) in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 008302, Frame 0774 on December 16, 1996. Assignee, Kabushiki Kaishi Toshiba, further represents that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in

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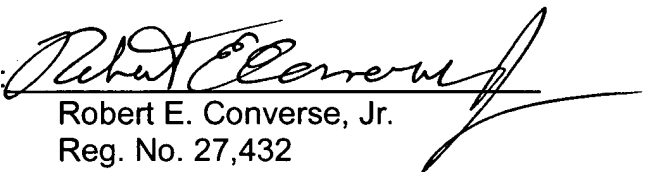
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